PRICE OF TEA

456. Mr. Paramel Ipe Ipe *(Kunnamkulam):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) by how much the price of tea per lb., has increased during the last 6 months;

(*b*) why is it that the Government is not trying to control the price of tea?

Mr. C. R. Iyyunni *(Minister for Revenue):*

(*a*) The Price of dust teas for the Indian Market for the week ending 22nd June 1946 was 22·50 annas per lb. and for the week ending 18th January 1947 is 26·17 annas per lb. It has been increased by 3·67 annas.

(*b*) If controlled, Government of Cochin will lose much revenue from the taxation on profits. The price of tea in the Indian Market is governed by the Calcutta auctions and the imposition of control price in Cochin State will result in tea dealers ceasing to operate in Cochin State if they are unable to sell teas at the same price as in British India.

ERUMAPETTY REGISTRY OFFICE—JURISDICTION REGARDING

457. Mr. Paramel Ipe Ipe *(Kunnamkulam):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) what all villages come under the jurisdiction of the newly established Erumapetty Registry Office;

(*b*) how many villages that were originally under the old Pazhanji Registry Office, were added to the Erumapetty Registry Office;

(*c*) what is the shortest distance from the boundary of the Erumapetty Registry Office's jurisdiction to the place where Pazhanji Registry Office is situated;

(*d*) which will be the central place of the area now under the jurisdiction of the Pazhanji Registry Office?

Rao Sahib K. Ayyappan *(Minister for Public Works):*

(*a*) Kariyannur, Kadangode, Vellattanjur, Thayyur, Tichur, Pulakkad, Kottapuram, Nelluvaya, Eyyal, Vellarakkad and Chiranellur.

(*b*) Only one village *i. e.*, Vellarakkad.

(*c*) Five miles.

(*d*) The Registry Office is situated almost in the central place of the area now under the jurisdiction of the Pazhanji Registry Office. The actual central place may be in the Karikkad village about a mile to the west of the present Registry Office.

INFORMATION DEPARTMENT—REORGANISATION OF

458. മിസ്റ്റർ കെ. എ. രാഘവൻ: താഴെ എഴുന്ന ചോദ്യങ്ങൾക്ക് ബഹുമാന പ്പെട്ട ഗവണ്മെണ്ടിൽനിന്നും ദയയും മറുപടി പറയുമോ.—

(എ) ജനകീയഭരണത്തിലേക്ക് വിട്ടുകിട്ടിയ ശേഷം ഇൻഫർമേഷൻ വകുപ്പിന്റെ പ്രവർത്തനത്തിൽ വല്ല പരിഷ്കാരങ്ങളും വരുത്തിയിട്ടുണ്ടോ;

(ബി) ഈ വകുപ്പിന്റെ പരിഷ്കരണം സംബന്ധിച്ചു പത്രപ്രവർത്തകന്മാർ മന്ത്രിക്ക് നൽകിയ നിർദ്ദേശങ്ങൾ നടപ്പിൽ വരുത്തിയിട്ടുണ്ടോ?

മിസ്റ്റർ പി. ഗോവിന്ദമേനോൻ:

(എ) ഉവ്വ്.

(ബി) നിർദ്ദേശങ്ങൾ അനുസരിച്ചു പരിഷ്കരണങ്ങൾ നടത്തിവരുന്നുണ്ട്.

TAHSILDARS—APPOINTMENT OF

459. Mr. Paramel Ipe Ipe *(Kunnamkulam):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) how many Tahsildars' vacancies have been filled up by appointing Officers from other departments during the last 10 years;

(*b*) which are the departments from which those appointments were made?

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